

# Emphasis

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## Carbondale Council Must Bite Bullet on Fate of Program

Carbondale city council finds itself in a "damned if we do, damned if we don't" situation as it deliberates Mayor Charlotte Moro and city managing director Bob Davis' Capital Improvements Program. The program, which calls for a big tax increase, because rejection would spell doom for the city's future, is the best of a bad situation. It's going to take a lot of thought and a bit of muddle to get the city out of the mire of the program, and the interests of the community.

At a public hearing last night, some hesitation given the sorry public opinion, council almost unanimously rejected the program. But with less reservation, council almost unanimously rejected the program. But with less reservation, council almost unanimously rejected the program. But with less reservation, council almost unanimously rejected the program.



Comment

**Jerry Palko**  
Wednesday night given what is at stake should they reject the plan, but council's uneasiness should be appreciated. The program is a real life program involving millions of dollars, the creation of an industrial park, possibly thousands of jobs, a revitalization of the downtown area, and a revitalization of the downtown area. The program is a real life program involving millions of dollars, the creation of an industrial park, possibly thousands of jobs, a revitalization of the downtown area, and a revitalization of the downtown area.

day night they demonstrated careful deliberation and for that deserve credit. Deserving any credit are the hundreds of local business people and citizens who shirked their civic responsibility by staying home Wednesday night. The program is a real life program involving millions of dollars, the creation of an industrial park, possibly thousands of jobs, a revitalization of the downtown area, and a revitalization of the downtown area.

## Carbondale Beginning To Show Signs of Self-Respect

By JOE UNANSKY  
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Carbondale — For the past several years, Carbondale has been considered the Rodney Dangerfield of third class cities. It's been a city that has been treated with a staggering deficit, a number of overdue bills, and a shaky municipal employees pension fund. It was no wonder the city failed to get any respect.

She added, "Believe me... it wasn't easy pinching pennies." She cited her administration's proposed capital improvement program as the solution to the city's financial woes. "I really and truly hope and pray council will go along with the program," she said. "The biggest concern right now is bringing jobs into Carbondale and the only way we can apply for grants to do that is to have the matching funds available."

### Mayor Charlotte Moro

"I'm not a bit discouraged and I'm looking forward to the future," said Mayor Moro. "I'm almost positive that the budget will be met and I don't think we'll be in the red... but I'll keep my fingers crossed and keep praying that nothing pops up before the year is over," noted the mayor.

### Mayor Moro

She suggested that several downtown businessmen have begun sweeping their sidewalks and cleaning up their storefronts to improve the appearance of the business district. "I think more people are concerned with improving the image of Carbondale," said Mayor Moro. She mentioned a woman in office who's concerned about keeping a neat house.

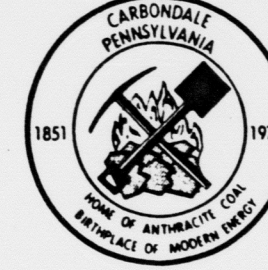
But "Carbondale is beginning to show signs of self respect" in a consequence, in part, of everything that the C HSM, under the direction of SLP, has done.

SLP mentioned in column 4 & 6.

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1 October, 1984  
Mr. Robert Maguire  
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Dear Bob:  
As you know, Pioneer Days 1984 was the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum's third year of participation in the event. As in both 1982 and 1983, the support and cooperation of the Pioneer Days Committee played an important role in the activities of the Society during that week. Given the fact that the Committee and the Society are both working for the good of Carbondale, the Executive Committee of the Society would like to arrange a joint meeting with the officers of the Committee, at which time, plans for the 1985 Pioneer Days activities, events and layout could be discussed. Please let us know a suitable date for such a meeting, so that we may be able to assist you in making next year's Pioneer Days an even greater success. Thanks very much, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Cordially,  
S. Robert Powell  
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